

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

For: IMAGE READING APPARATUS

February 18, 2004

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents are provided in the English-language abstracts attached thereto.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
10/601,678	June 24, 2003	Not Yet Assigned

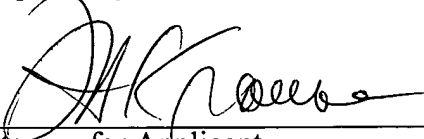
A copy of the cited Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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